



South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

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### Criminal Background Check (CBC)

Effective March 2, 2009, an applicant for a license to practice nursing in South Carolina shall be subject to a criminal history background check as defined in [40-33-25](#) of the Nursing Practice Act.

This process requires you to furnish a full set of fingerprints and additional information required to enable a criminal history background check to be conducted by the State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). These services are provided by IdentoGO Centers and are operated by MorphoTrust USA.

**Residents of South Carolina** should go online to schedule for fingerprinting services:

<http://www.identogo.com/FP/SouthCarolina.aspx> or call (866) 254-2366 for assistance in scheduling. Scheduling services will provide detailed information of forms of identification that will be required.

If you are a non-resident of South Carolina and do not reside in an area near South Carolina, please follow the **Non- Resident Card Scan Processing Procedures** below.

#### Non-Resident Card Scan Processing Procedures

For applicants that reside out of South Carolina who wish to use the IdentoGO/Morpho Trust USA Centers, you may use these centers that are located in South Carolina only. If an applicant does not reside near South Carolina, they must complete and submit the fingerprint cards by following the directions below. This program utilizes advanced scanning technology to convert a traditional fingerprint card (hard card) into an electronic fingerprint record. The section below details the procedures for submitting fingerprints to the MorphoTrust card scan department. Applicant should contact IdentoGO/MorphoTrust (866-254-2366) to verify the current fee to submit.

- Applicants should obtain a set of fingerprints from a local law enforcement agency or other entity that provides fingerprinting services. These fingerprint cards may be either traditional ink rolled fingerprints or electronically captured and printed fingerprint cards.
- Fingerprints may be submitted on FBI applicant cards. The applicant may call or email the Nursing Board to have the FBI applicant cards mailed to them. Phone: 803-896-4550 or email: [nurseboard@llr.sc.gov](mailto:nurseboard@llr.sc.gov). Due to agency specific information, MorphoTrust USA does not provide fingerprint cards to applicants.
- Applicant should ensure the fingerprint cards are completely filled out. Required information includes:
  - ORI Number: **SC920112Z**
  - Full Name
  - Home Address
  - Place of Birth (State or Country Only)
  - Citizenship
  - Social Security Number
  - Date of Birth
  - Sex, Height, Weight, Hair Color and Eye Color
  - Reason fingerprinted
- Mail the fully completed card and applicable fee (Include full name of applicant on the check) to:

Identogo Cardscan Department  
SC Cardscan Processing  
6840 Carothers Parkway STE 650  
Franklin, TN 37067-9929

Follow-up calls and questions on the processing of a fingerprint card should be made directly to IdentoGO/MorphoTrust at (866) 254-2366 and speak to a customer service representative. **DO NOT** return fingerprint card or fingerprint processing fee in with your application or to the Board of Nursing. This will delay the processing of your application.

## NONCRIMINAL JUSTICE APPLICANT'S PRIVACY RIGHTS

As an applicant who is the subject of a national fingerprint-based criminal history record check for a noncriminal justice purpose (such as an application for a job or license, an immigration or naturalization matter, security clearance, or adoption), you have certain rights which are discussed below.

- You must be provided written notification<sup>1</sup> that your fingerprints will be used to check the criminal history records of the FBI.
- If you have a criminal history record, the officials making a determination of your suitability for the job, license, or other benefit must provide you the opportunity to complete or challenge the accuracy of the information in the record.
- The officials must advise you that the procedures for obtaining a change, correction, or updating of your criminal history record are set forth at Title 28, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 16.34.
- If you have a criminal history record, you should be afforded a reasonable amount of time to correct or complete the record (or decline to do so) before the officials deny you the job, license, or other benefit based on information in the criminal history record.<sup>2</sup>

You have the right to expect that officials receiving the results of the criminal history record check will use it only for authorized purposes and will not retain or disseminate it in violation of federal statute, regulation or executive order, or rule, procedure or standard established by the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact Council.<sup>3</sup>

If agency policy permits, the officials may provide you with a copy of your FBI criminal history record for review and possible challenge. If agency policy does not permit it to provide you a copy of the record, you may obtain a copy of the record by submitting fingerprints and a fee to the FBI. Information regarding this process may be obtained at <http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/background-checks>.

If you decide to challenge the accuracy or completeness of your FBI criminal history record, you should send your challenge to the agency that contributed the questioned information to the FBI. Alternatively, you may send your challenge directly to the FBI. The FBI will then forward your challenge to the agency that contributed the questioned information and request the agency to verify or correct the challenged entry. Upon receipt of an official communication from that agency, the FBI will make any necessary changes/corrections to your record in accordance with the information supplied by that agency. (See 28 CFR 16.30 through 16.34.)

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<sup>1</sup> Written notification includes electronic notification, but excludes oral notification.

<sup>2</sup> See 28 CFR 50.12(b).

<sup>3</sup> See 5 U.S.C. 552a(b); 28 U.S.C. 534(b); 42 U.S.C. 14616, Article IV(c); 28 CFR 20.21(c), 20.33(d) and 906.2(d).